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In re the application of

Kramer et al.

Application No. 09/439,766

Filed: November 15, 1999

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DEVICE

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed 10/25/01 and is being mailed before the expiration of the shortened statutory period for reply. The present amendment is being filed in accordance with amended rule 37 CFR 1.121. Thus, clean versions of any amended portions of the specification and claims are provided herein. Marked-up versions of the amendments are provided on one or more separate sheets following the REMARKS section.